

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JASMEN HOLLOWAY, et al.,

No. C 05-5056 PJH (MEJ)

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

BEST BUY CO., INC.,

**ORDER GRANTING ON A LIMITED
BASIS PLAINTIFFS' REQUEST TO
COMPEL PRODUCTION OF NATIVE
DOCUMENTS**

Defendant(s).

The Court is in receipt of the parties' joint discovery dispute letter, filed November 19, 2007. (Doc. #86.) In the letter, Plaintiffs request production of more than eleven million pages of native records. Although these records were previously produced by Defendant, Plaintiffs argue that they should have been produced in native format. While it appears in some instances either native format or metadata may be relevant or necessary for a full understanding of a document, it is not clear that this is the case for all eleven million-plus pages. Further, based on the parties' letter, it appears that Plaintiffs' counsel provided conflicting information regarding the method of production. Accordingly, the Court shall grant Plaintiffs' request on a limited basis. Plaintiffs shall identify particular documents by Bates Number and identify a particularized need for each document. If Defendant is unwilling or unable to produce those documents in native format, the parties shall meet and confer in compliance with the undersigned's discovery standing order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 26, 2007



MARIA-ELENA JAMES
United States Magistrate Judge